

### VISION IN SPRING PLANTING

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Spring planting to many people simply means the placing of a few flowers and vegetable seeds in the ground for enjoyment during the summer season. We are quite likely to become so interested in a new variety of Delphinium or Japanese Iris, that we fail to visualize what the effect will be after the blooming season is over. It is entirely possible, however, to design the spring planting so that there will be an abundance of flowers throughout the summer, and still allow sufficient space for background plantings that will look well at other seasons of the year.

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Flowering trees and shrubs, evergreens, vines, wild roses, ground covers, and other types are available to carry over the winter into the garden into the rest of the year.

Spring is an ideal time to plant these. The important thing is to plan the views from your living rooms that they will be attractive at any time. Flower and rose beds are often somewhat unsightly after the blooming season and an effort should be made to arrange the scheme so that the flower beds are not in direct view from the important window. Oftentimes, flowers may be located under the window next to the house, and when not in bloom, the beds will not be conspicuous from the inside.

**Don't "Overdo" Evergreens**  
Evergreens such as pines, cedars and hemlocks which grow native in Michigan are becoming more and more popular in plantings for all-year effect. Some of the cedars have a rather muddy color in winter.

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### Adventures in Gardening

It is often possible to see low-growing evergreens in the garden so that the design is carried throughout the year, and the combination of evergreen with lower color gives interesting contrast of light and shade. A word is given in groups, the slender, pointed evergreens are often a disturbing element rather than a fitting accent in the garden picture.

On most properties, no matter what the size, there is an opportunity to plant a group of pines which will look pleasant from the living room windows and may, in some cases, afford a background for lawns during the summer.

There is a very real danger of overdoing evergreen planting, which tends to give a heavy, unnatural effect, and it is therefore important to include flowering shrubs and small trees to lighten and vary the color to the picture as a whole.

Your efforts will surely be repaid, if your planting is wisely planned. With a vision of what the picture will be next fall and winter as well as during the blooming season, one of our garden flowers.

**THEATERS**  
**DETROIT CIVIC THEATER**  
"Are You a Mason?" Leo Dietrich's comedy, which is being revived during Holy Week, at the Detroit Civic Theater, opening Monday night, Mar. 29, and closing Sunday, Apr. 5. The theater has dedicated this week to Lodge and Masonry, and is presenting a series of parties for the play.

This play is a farcical comedy about a middle-aged mid-westerner, Amos Bloodgood, and his New York son-in-law, Frank Murphy. Murphy is a miser and he pretends to his respective wives that they are masons. In this way he can get good credit for his investments in the evenings any time they so desire. Everything goes smoothly until Mr. Bloodgood and Frank meet some real masons, who fail to understand their comical and grotesque high signs. Emily Ross will play Eva Perry, the young wife and Thyra Roulston will play Mrs. Bloodgood. The husband will be Neill O'Malley and Walter Sherwin will interpret.

**LAFAYETTE THEATER**  
"Lafayette," the dramatization of the Deland's sensational novel, is in its third week at the Lafayette Theater, with Wallace Ford and Marjorie Bonnell as the central figures in the story, that has to do with the adventures of a pair of newlyweds. The struggles to establish a home for a baby that neither of them thinks is their own, "Lafayette" provides some drama.

Doris Underwood is the helpful girl Edna, who binds out gratuitously advice to the newlyweds, and others include Lloyd Noble, as the tyrannical husband, Lorraine Bernard as a talkative young lady, Terry Loring as the friend who inherits the money, and George Pembroke and Charlie Roberts, as a couple of playful young men.

**CASS THEATER**  
After successful engagements in New York and Chicago in "Art and Mrs. Bottle" and "Twelfth Night," Jack Cowell will bring these two plays to the Cass Theater for an engagement of one week, commencing Monday, Mar. 30. "Art and Mrs. Bottle" will be played Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and "Twelfth Night" Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Miss Cowell comes directly from the Maxine Elliott Theater, New York, and has four years of the management of Kenneth McGowan and Joseph Verner Reed.

"Art and Mrs. Bottle" is a smart English comedy by Benn W. Levy, author of "Mrs. Moonlight," and adapter of "Topsy." It wittily exposes the nonsense of the "art for art's sake" cult in its claim of special privileges and ultra code.

As Viola in "Twelfth Night," Miss Cowell appears in her first Shakespearean production ("Romeo and Juliet"). This gay comedy, written as a holiday piece, the climax of Elizabethan Christmas festivities, is keyed not with the tone of a school-room classic but in the mood of humming fun. It is directed by Andrew Leigh, London's "Old Vic" Theater.

She is supported by a company including Sue Quargmaine, Arthur Ross, Walter Lewis, Jessie Ralph, Warren Evenson, G. P. Huntley, Jr., Lewis Martin, Harry Sethern, Jerry Bowman and others.

Sweet peas for early bloom during the summer, may be started indoors now. An inch of sand should cover the top of the soil in the flower pots; they should be set in a dark place and covered with glass. The soil should be sprayed with water each day. Transplant when about four inches high.

### BIG BEAVER

Dorothy Rufus of Port Huron is spending a few weeks with her grandmother, Nell Spencer, of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hark were Saturday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Howell on Rochester road.

Mrs. Rosalia Grant will return to her home on Rochester road this week from Milwaukee, Wis., where she attended the funeral of a friend, Mrs. Kimball. Kimball's widow, plans to make her home here with Mrs. Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Jackson, of Grace Road, were guests on Saturday at the Ferguson home on Rochester road and at the home of the Dunninges on Cherry street.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Harris and Miss Velma Taylor were guests on Monday of Mrs. Theresa Harris and her daughters.

Mrs. Margaret and Dorothy Black will return to their home today from the Western part of the state, after spending as their guests, Miss Grace Ford of Cleveland and Miss Olga Schuch of Kalamazoo, who spent a few days of their vacation here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lawson were guests on Sunday at the home of the former's father, Mr. Henry Lawson, at Avoca.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Reid and their son, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren James of Rochester road.

Mrs. Mary Monroe of Detroit was a guest Tuesday at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Tracey.

Miss Ada Burch returned to her home at Yale Sunday after spending a few months with Mr. and Mrs. C. Lamb of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Walls of Detroit were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Black of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hempter and their son, of Detroit, were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Miller of Beaver road.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Groves of Royal Oak were Thursday guests of Mrs. Mary Miller of the Sixteen Mile road. Her sister, Mrs. Martha Goodwin of Royal Oak was her guest Saturday and Mr. R. C. Hale of Rochester was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Van Gorp were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Gorp of Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Shaw of Meadowcroft avenue were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoek of 11th Street avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Lamb and their son, Charles, were guests at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lockwood, of Pontiac.

Mrs. A. Beuthen of Boyd avenue spent the week-end at Centerville at the home of her daughter, Mrs. son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reed of Boyd avenue were guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Grogan of Clawson.

The Rev. Mr. Aigne conducted service at the Big Beaver M. E. Church Sunday. The Rev. A. Balsaban returned Sunday from Harbor Beach where he had been ill at the home of his daughter, Miss Abbie Balgoyan.

The local elimination contest of the Detroit Metropolitan Spelling Bee to determine the school grade champions will be held at the Beaver School at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Lawson and their daughter Grace and Miss Mildred Howell of Rochester road were guests Saturday at a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gibbons of Birmingham.

Morah Ferguson of Rochester road was the week-end guest of Mrs. Miss Lane and Beryl Stumpf of Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto B. Lindner were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Schultz of Rochester road.

Miss Ethel Howlett and Mr. John Jensen were Sunday guests at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jensen of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. John Curvin of Rochester road spent the week-end in Detroit at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hollenbeck.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Winters of Royal Oak were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Winters of University street.

Big Beaver High 408 won first prize for the best paper snowflakes at the Oakland County Association meeting of the Macabebes held Sunday. Mrs. Margaret Schultz of Big Beaver was elected sergeant-at-arms.

### FIFTH GUIDE POST SERMON IS HEARD

Baptist Minister Urges Capitalism To Employ Golden Rule As Economic Aid

"As life becomes increasingly complex the way to peace becomes more hazardous," Rev. David Leon Woodward said in his "Fifth Guide Post" sermon Sunday evening at the Baptist church. "Chances for the development of peace and justice have greatly increased. Man has provided himself with machines so that he can talk and hear and fly around the world, so that how to find peace and to maintain it in all the phases of our complex modern life is a problem indeed."

"But the Prince of Peace has devised the golden rule as a guide to peace, and we follow it all the ways before us," the Rev. Woodward stated.

"As you measure to your neighbor he will measure back to you holds true in international relations just as firmly as in personal affairs, also. Show me the man that follows the Golden Rule and I will show you one who is kind and considerate of others and dwells in peace of home and with his neighbors. Wherever it has been given a fair trial, in personal affairs, in international relations, it has not only brought peace and harmony but success and prosperity."

"As one studies the present economic system, and sees the injustice and real distress resulting therefrom, one is forced to the conclusion that capitalism must either be altered to fit the Golden Rule on a wider scale or be forced by an outraged public opinion to assume sort of socialist scheme."

### SERVICES CONDUCTED FOR RALPH WERNER

Funeral services were held at 11 a. m. Monday at the Reform Chapel Chapel Oak for Ralph A. Werner, 36 years old, of Rochester road. He died at his home suddenly on Friday. The services were conducted by the Rev. Ivan R. Welby of the Star and First Congregational churches. Burial was in Troops Cemetery.

Mr. Werner had been a resident of Big Beaver for eight years. All work at the cemetery was closed during the funeral services.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ruth Werner, four children, Robert, Donald, Catherine and Marion, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Werner of Royal Oak and two sisters.

### STATE TO DISTRIBUTE NEW HIGHWAY MAPS

LANSING, Mar. 26. The combined Highway Conservation map of Michigan, to be issued for the first time this year, is now in the hands of the printers and is expected to be ready for distribution about May 1.

The map is being issued jointly by the Highway Department and the Department of Conservation, and will combine the functions of the maps formerly issued by the Highway Department, showing trunk line highways, and the maps formerly issued by the Parks Division of the Conservation Department, indicating state parks, fish hatcheries, forestry, game refuges and other conservation projects.

Informative articles concerning Michigan will be printed on the back of the map. A highway mileage chart and a state park information chart will be included.

The first printing will include 10,000 copies.

Rhubarb plants may be forced in a cellar or greenhouse, or even in a kitchen box, at this time of year. Boxes, however, must not be airtight, air circulation is quite essential. Keep the room rather dark; this results in a bluish color, but with a small amount of leaf growth.

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